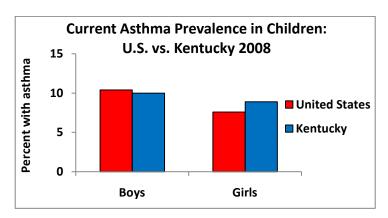
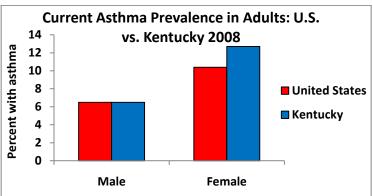
Asthma Fact Sheet Kentucky vs. United States, 2008

Prevalence

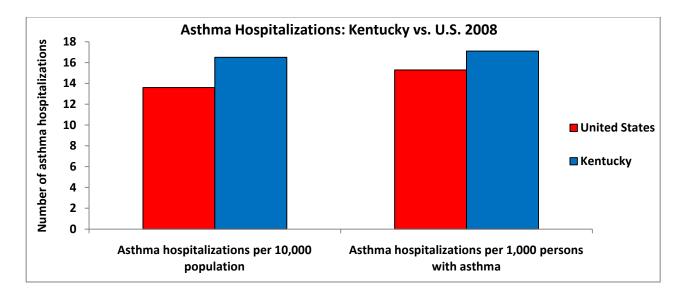
According to the Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance Survey, in 2008 the overall prevalence of current asthma in Kentucky was 9.5%, compared to a national asthma prevalence of 8.7%.





Hospitalization

Inpatient asthma hospital discharge data, obtained from the "Healthcare Cost and Utilization Project" website shows that, in 2008, both the numbers of asthma hospitalizations per 10,000 population, and the number of asthma hospitalizations per 1,000 persons with asthma was higher in Kentucky, compared to the United States.



Mortality

Mortality data, obtained from the CDC Wonder website shows that, in 2008, Kentucky's mortality rate from asthma was 1.1 per 100,000 population, compared to the United States mortality rate from asthma of 1.3 per 100,000 population. This reflects an asthma mortality rate of 10.2 asthma deaths per 10,000 persons with asthma in Kentucky, and 12.7 asthma deaths per 10,000 persons with asthma in the United States.